

**REMARKS**

**Amendments to the Claims**

In the Office Action, the Examiner indicated that claim 5 was allowable if rewritten in independent form. The Applicant added the limitations of claim 5 to claim 1. Claim 5 is cancelled.

The Applicant respectfully submits that claim 1 as amended is allowable over the cited art, consistent with the Examiner's stated view that claim 5 was allowable if rewritten in independent form.

Claim 4 (from which claim 5 was previously dependent) remains dependent on claim 1.

Claim 6 is now dependent on claim 1.

Claims 29-31 remain dependent on claim 1.

Claim 9 has been amended to include the subject matter of claim 11, which was identified by the Examiner as allowable. Claim 11 has been cancelled.

Claim 10 (from which claim 11 previously depended) remains dependent on claim 9.

Claims 14 and 16-20 were allowed.

Claims 32-34 are dependent on claim 9.

Claim 21 has been amended to include limitations corresponding to the amendments of claims 1 and 9.

Claim 22 remains dependent on claim 21.

Claims 24 – 28 have been cancelled.

Claims 35 and 36 have been amended to include limitations corresponding to the amendments of claims 1 and 9.

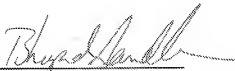
These amendments bring the claims into allowable condition based on the Examiner's identification of allowed and allowable claims.

***Conclusion***

The Applicants respectfully submit that this case is now in condition for allowance and request that the Examiner's objections be withdrawn and a timely Notice of Allowance be issued.

The Examiner is requested to contact the undersigned by telephone or e-mail to address any issues that can expedite this case.

Respectfully submitted,  
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